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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Unclassified Statement re NSCIDs

1. Richard Ober, NSC Staff, telephoned to inquire whether an unclassified description of the NSCIDs was available. He was seeking something to be included in a court affidavit explaining why the NSCIDs could not be made available on an unclassified basis in response to an FOIA request from [redacted]. I provided Ober, by LDX, an unclassified paragraph describing the NSCIDs which had been written for submission to the House Select Committee Investigating Intelligence.

2. Check was made with Mr. Anderson of the CIA Special Security Center, who agreed the statement was unclassified.

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Major General, USAF (Ret.)
Chief, Coordination Staff, ICS

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Within the provisions of the National Security Act of 1947, the National Security Council provides policy guidance to the DCI and the Community through a series of directives (National Security Council Intelligence Directives--NSCID's) that are reviewed and updated as required. NSCID No. 1, for example, sets forth basic duties and responsibilities of the DCI and includes both general guidance as to objectives and detailed directions in a considerable number of specific areas such as the development and review of security standards, and the inclusion of any dissenting views on intelligence matters emanating from the United States Intelligence Board. Other NSCID's cover the conduct and coordination of various types of intelligence collection activities, clandestine and counter-intelligence activities abroad, the handling of defectors, the coordination of intelligence production, provisions for the communication of time-sensitive intelligence, and photographic interpretation arrangements.